

time is given to eligibility than education, then we are engaging in a deliberate move to look away from what is a serious problem. We're dealing with unpaid workers who are bringing in millions of dollars but are not allowed legally to participate in it. So here is a young person who runs the risk of serious injury, paralysis and in some cases death, who brings in money that pays the athletic director, the coach, the assistant coaches, provides a team an outlet for all types of advertisements in which he cannot participate. He cannot receive money from anybody. He cannot hold a job. So if a gambler or some other person like a doctor, lawyer, or pillar of the community who sees the plight of the player offers him money, he will accept it and I will tell him, accept it, just don't get caught. That's what you have to tell them. Do you realize that if one of these players had a family member die, a mother who would die, the school cannot provide an airline ticket to the funeral or eligibility is gone because that's a benefit that the rules do not allow. There were two players, one a male in football and the female may have been in volleyball or basketball, at UN-L, who posed for a calendar, just their pictures, nothing pornographic, and all of the proceeds would go to Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Because money was realized, even though it went all to charity, their eligibility was taken. Yet, they can be on television to promote the NCAA, which is definitely a money-making operation. They can be on television to promote ABC, which is a money-making operation. But they cannot do anything legally to obtain money so we put them in an impossible situation. The only way we can take the cloud of illegality over...from over the head of these young people is to provide a legitimate means for them to obtain...remember what all of the students can obtain right now, all of the students can obtain it right now. These players work the equivalent of full time jobs year round. And, Senator Warner, I don't know if you're aware of this, but in actual hours they put in more time than players on National Football League teams. Their time is required to be available by the university, more than the time is required for National Football League players. So, everything they do meets the definition of a job. They have regular hours. They have regular duties and they can be fired. If they don't cut the mustard, that contract can be lifted. Even there, Senator Warner, is an unfairness. The contract that the player gets from the school is for one year at a time, but he is expected to commit his entire career to the university and to make sure that he doesn't try to run out, if he transfers, that's when they